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[redacted] Department of Justice (DOJ) Command Center, Washington D.C., work telephone number (202) 514-5000, was contacted at his residence through the DOJ Command Center. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

Earlier today at approximately 9:00am, Ted Olson or [redacted] called the DOJ Command Center and requested a security officer come to Ted Olson's Office. [redacted] did not receive the call, but was asked to go to Olson's office. The information he got was that Ted Olson's wife, Barbara Olson, was on a plane that was hijacked. He was told that the hijackers had knives and the passengers had been herded to the back of the plane.

He arrived at Ted Olson's office shortly after. Ted Olson had already received two (2) telephone calls from Barbara Olsen. [redacted] sat and watched the television coverage of the World Trade Center (WTC) terrorist attack with Ted Olson for approximately ten (10) minutes. [redacted] left the office before the coverage of the Pentagon b6 plane crash. b7C

After the Pentagon plane crash was reported on the news, he went back to Ted Olson's office. Olsen said to him, "the plane is down." [redacted] he was very sorry and left the office.

[redacted] advised that the only information he was given by the watch officer and by Ted Olson was that the hijackers had knives and that the passengers were herded to the back of the plane. This is what Barbara Olson had told Ted Olson.

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Theodore Olson, Solicitor General, United States of America, was interviewed at his residence, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, Olson furnished the following information.

Barbara Olson, Theodore's wife, was a passenger on American Flight # 77, departing Dulles Airport at approximately 8:10am or 8:30am this morning, bound for LAX Airport in Los Angeles, California.

At approximately 9:00am this morning, he did not look at his watch, one of the women in his office advised him of the terrorist attack at the World Trade Center (WTC) in New York. He went to his back office and turned on the television. At that time they were rerunning film of the second plane hitting the WTC.

At this time one of the women in his office told him that Barbara was on the phone. [REDACTED] She did not relay the call from his wife. It was someone else in the office. At the time he was thanking God that her flight could not have had enough time to get to New York. He picked up the call from his wife and spoke for about one (1) minute. Barbara told him that her plane had been hijacked. She said they had knives and box cutters. He asked if they knew she was on the phone and she replied that they didn't. Barbara told him that they put the passengers in the back of the plane. She had been sitting in first class. Olson's call was then cut off.

After the first call, Olson used his direct line to the Attorney General, but was unable to reach him, so he called the DOJ Command Center and requested someone come to his office. He told them that his wife's plane had been hijacked and gave them the flight number. He wanted to pass this information to someone who could possibly do something.

Shortly after, the same person buzzed him again and said Barbara was on the phone again. Barbara was put through to him. Barbara said the pilot had announced that the plane had been hijacked. She asked Olson what she should tell the captain to do. Olson asked

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